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ORDINANCE NO. 168-12

BY: BRIAN DAY

(By Request – Mayor)

AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE MORATORIUM FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY (180) DAYS ON THE GRANTING OF ANY PERMITS ALLOWING THE OPERATION OF INTERNET CAFES OR OF BUSINESSES DEVOTING FLOOR SPACE TO INTERNET-BASED SWEEPSTAKES GAMES WITHIN THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the current extension of the moratorium, authorized by Ordinance No. 72-12, adopted April 2, 2012, will expire on or about October 10, 2012, and it is the intent of the City to extend this moratorium for an additional one hundred eighty (180) days from the present expiration date; and

WHEREAS, H.B. 195 is working its way through the Ohio General Assembly, and, if enacted, will give additional guidance to this City Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That Council hereby approves an additional one hundred eighty (180) day extension on the moratorium on the granting of any permits allowing the operation of internet cafes or of businesses devoting floor space to internet-based sweepstakes games within the City of Parma, with said extension to expire on or about April 8, 2013.

Section 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 3. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary in order to extend this moratorium in a timely manner, and this Ordinance shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:	
	PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL
ATTEST:	APPROVED:
CLERK OF COUNCIL	
FILED WITH THE MAYOR:	
	MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO